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HANDLOOM SECTOR
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the schemes being implemented by the Government to provide assistance to the Handloom Sector in the country including Maharashtra;

(b) the amount allocated under these schemes during each of the last three years alongwith the number of beneficiaries of these schemes, State and Union Territory- wise;

(c) whether any proposal has been received from the Maharashtra Government in this regard during the last two years; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a)&(b) : The Union Government had been implementing the following schemes during the Xth Plan for providing assistance to the Handloom Sector throughout the country, including Maharashtra State:-

i) Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana

ii) Handloom Export Scheme

iii) Marketing Promotion Programme

iv) Mill Gate Price Scheme

v) Integrated Handloom Training Project

vi) Workshed-cum-Housing Scheme

vii) Design Development Training Programme

viii) Handlooms (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985

ix) Integrated Handloom Cluster Development Programme

x) Mahatma Gandhi Bima Bunkar Yojana

xi) Health Insurance Scheme

No State-wise allocation were made under the above schemes. However, the quantum of assistance released and the beneficiaries covered under the above schemes during the last three years is at Annexure.

In order to enable flow of assistance to the weavers in a coordinated & concerted manner, it is proposed to implement the following five schemes in the XIth Plan for the benefit of the handloom weavers including the weavers of Maharashtra.

1. Integrated Handloom Development Scheme.

2. Marketing & Export Promotion Scheme.

3. Handloom Weavers Comprehensive Welfare Scheme.

4. Mill Gate Price Scheme.

5. Diversified Handloom Development Scheme.

(c) & (d) : During the year 2005-06 and 2006-07, a sum of Rs.368.46 lakh was released under Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana (Rs.259.85 lakh) and Marketing Promotion Programme (Rs.108.61 lakh) to Government of Maharashtra.